

BOOKS, NOT BARS

Ending the school-to-prison pipeline makes dollars AND sense

Schools

- + 7 hours of class time
- + college-educated teachers and paraprofessionals
- + peer interaction that fosters positive emotional development
- + access to extra-curricular activities
- + a safe environment
- + a place for students to explore their interests and learn

= **\$63**/day

Juvenile Detention Centers



- 5.5 hours of class time
- lack of direct supervision from trained educators
- alienation from peers
- increased chance of criminal activity after leaving the facility
- lower educational aspiration
- criminal records that are carried into adult life

= **\$240**/day

Educate.
Don't incarcerate.

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